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## BUDGET UNIT BRIEF – FY 2018

Fiscal Services Division

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## Iowa State University Nutrient Research Center

### Purpose and History

The Iowa Nutrient Reduction Strategy Report was introduced in November 2012, as a collaborative effort by the Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship, the Department of Natural Resources, and Iowa State University (ISU). The Water Quality Initiative Program was created in SF 435 (FY 2014 Agriculture and Natural Resources Appropriations Act) with the goal to provide funding for watershed practices in high-priority watersheds. Funding is used to conduct studies that evaluate current and emerging nutrient management practices, and to provide recommendations on implementing these practices.

### Funding History

The ISU Nutrient Research Center received a General Fund appropriation of \$1.5 million for FY 2014. This was reduced to \$1.3 million for FY 2015 through FY 2017. For FY 2018, funding will be from fees paid to the Agriculture Management Account in the Groundwater Protection Fund. Funding is expected to be between \$1.5 and \$1.7 million per year.

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### More Information

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